

# A C T OF PARLIAMENT

In Favours of *John Adair* and *Captain Slazer*.

At *Edinburgh*, The Sixteen Day of *July*, ~ One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninty Five Years.



OUR SOVERAIGN LORD with Consent of the Estates convened in Parliament, Considering the great use and necessity of Exact MAPS, and Descriptions of the Coasts and Isles of *SCOTLAND*, and that both *Northern* and *Western* Islands: And likeways considering how much the finishing the Ancient and present State of the said Kingdom, and the most considerable Prospects thereof tend to the Advantage, Honour and Reputation of *SCOTLAND*. And seeing, That *John Adair Geograph r* has finished several MAPS of these Coasts and is willing to make up what remains: As also, *Captain John Slazer* hath made an considerable progress in describing the Ancient and present State of *Scotland*, and in making up in Copper Plates the most considerable Prospects of the Kings Castles, Palaces and several Burghs, and of the considerablest Houses belonging to the Noblemen, and Gentlemen: And the said *John Adair* and *Captain Slazer* having been at great Expences in pursuing the saids works, and that they must be yet at greater for the finishing thereof: Therefore HIS MAJESTY with Advice foresaid, does Statute and Ordain, That Sixteen shilling Scots be Exacted for every Tun of Forraign Ships which come in to any Harbour or Road within this Kingdom ilk Voyage, and four Shilling on every Tun of Scots Ships, above twelve Tun Burden once ilk year for the space of five Years to be applyed by the Privy Council for compleating the said MAPS and Prospects of *Scotland*: And Ordains the same to be Collected by the Collectors of the Kings Customs, and to be payed in to the Kings Cash-keeper Termly, to be disposed of as the saids Lords of Privy Council shall find necessary and useful for Reimbursing what is already expended on the saids Works, and what shall be yet requisite for bringing the same to perfection, with Power to the Lords of Council, to stop the said Imposition in whole or in part when they find a sufficient Fond collected for perfiring the said MAPS, Prospects and Descriptions of *Scotland*. And lastly, HIS MAJESTY with Advice foresaid, Ordains this Imposition to commense, and to be exacted from the first of *August* next, One Thousand Six hundred and Ninty Five Years: And Declares, that the saids Collectors shall be Lyable for the said Impositions on Forraign and Scots Ships as said is, in so far as the same shall not be punctually exacted by them: And Ordains the saids Collectors to deliver in to the Lords of Privy Council Subscribed Lists of the saids Ships with their respective Burdens as the ground of their Charge, and appoints the same Execution to pass hereupon at the Cash keepers instance against the saids Collectors, as is usual for HIS MAJESTIES other Customs, As likeways all Execution at the saids Collectors instance against these Lyable in payment of this Imposition as is usual for the Kings Customs.

*Extracted forth of the Records of Parliament by George Viscount of Tarbat Lord Macleod and Castlehaven &c. Clark to the Parliament, and to His Majesties Councils Registers and Rolls; Sic Subscribitur Tarbat Cls. Register.*



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